



TETON COUNTY PROFILE

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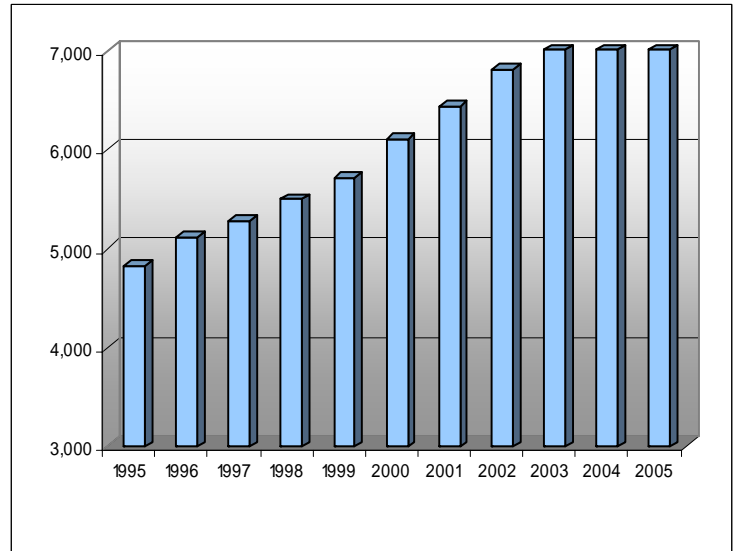
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Population

Teton County, situated on the state's eastern border with Wyoming, has experienced one of the largest percentage growths in the state over the decade—54.9 percent. The 2005 population of 7,467 grew over 2,600 from 1995. The county is ranked 34th in total state population. The annual average increase for the decade is 265. The year 2000 was the largest growth year, adding 403 people.

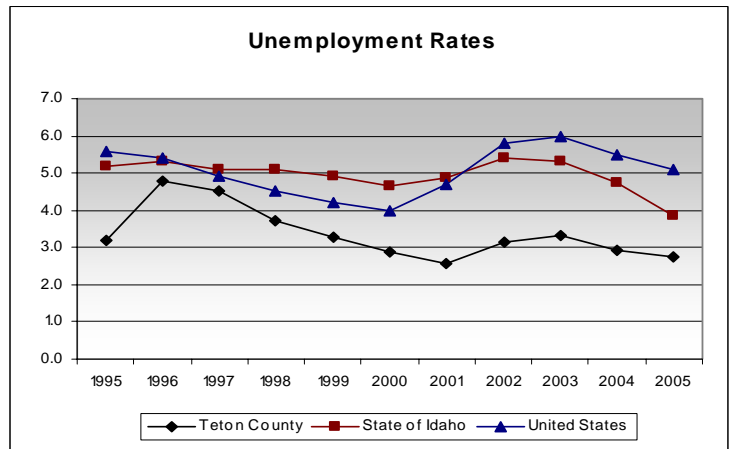
The county has been a desirable location to many people who own second homes near popular tourist locations Jackson Hole and Grand Targhee Ski Resort, which both lie just across the Wyoming border. Many employers and employees of Wyoming businesses live in Teton County and commute to work. With natural, pristine landscapes and explosive construction (subdivisions), increased population is expected to continue.



Labor Force & Employment

Teton County has continually had one of the lowest unemployment rates in the state, with 2.6 percent in 2001 being its lowest rate of the decade. In all but two years, the rate has been significantly lower than both the state and national averages. Much of the county's employment is seasonal and depends on tourism, but officials are working to facilitate more year-round employment. The national economic slump affected the county in 2002 and 2003, yet the county still has one of the state's lowest unemployment rates.

As shown on the pie graph of page two, Teton County has four main industries: *Trade, Leisure & Hospitality, Construction, and Government*. Of those, *Government* is the largest because of many state employees throughout several departments, hospital employees, local government, and schools. *Trade and Leisure & Hospitality* have high numbers due to the local and national tourism market. With population growing so rapidly, residential *Construction* is increasing in the county and is very strong for



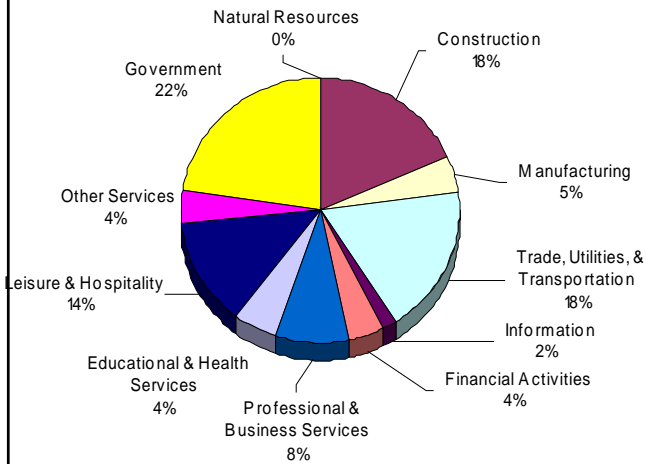
eight months of the year (weather permitting). Many people commute from neighboring counties in Idaho to work *Construction* in the area also.

The county is expected to continue its low unemployment rate, increased population growth, and increasing number of *Nonfarm Payroll Jobs* as it continues to grow, develop, and serve its residents and tourists. The pure tranquility and breathtaking beauty of the county encourages growth with little or no marketing on the side. Infrastructure and utilities are trying to keep pace with constant demand.

Labor Force	May 2005	May 2006
Civilian Labor Force	4,197	4,073
Total Employment	4,033	3,951
Unemployed	164	122
Teton County % Unemployed	3.9	3.0
State of Idaho % Unemployed	3.9	3.4
U.S. % Unemployed	5.1	4.7

Labor Force	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005
Civilian Labor Force	2,585	2,676	2,768	2,926	3,094	3,660	3,787	4,046	4,181	4,182	4,457
Unemployment	84	128	125	107	103	106	97	128	140	122	123
% of Labor Force Unemployed	3.2	4.8	4.5	3.7	3.3	2.9	2.6	3.2	3.3	2.9	2.8
Employment	2,501	2,548	2,643	2,819	2,991	3,554	3,690	3,918	4,041	4,060	4,334

Nonfarm Payroll Jobs for 2004



Covered Employment & Wages

Covered Employment includes employers who are subject to state and federal Unemployment Insurance laws. These laws apply to approximately 92 percent of Idaho's employers.

Because covered employment and wages are reported in the county a business is located in, the numbers are somewhat misrepresentative of the residents of Teton County. Many residents commute to Wyoming to work in higher-paying jobs, but their wages are not reflected in the statistics. Covered employment shows an increase of 1,183 jobs over the decade, while average wages increased \$11,651. *Information and Professional & Business Services* are the industries that showed the largest increase in wages while *Construction* added the most jobs.

Major Employers (Private)

Bergmeyer Manufacturing Co., Inc.
Broulim's Supermarket
Carson Concrete Inc.
KLB Inc.
L T Curtis MD PA
Oroukes Inc.

Eastern ID Occupational Wages*

Average Wage

Agricultural Workers	\$8.47
Assemblers & Fabricators	\$11.72
Cashiers	\$7.79
Computer Support Specialists	\$17.99
Customer Service Reps	\$9.86
Farmworkers, Farm & Ranch	\$8.34
Food & Beverage Serving Workers	\$6.59
Licensed Practical & Vocational Nurses	\$14.06
Nursing Aides, Orderlies, and Attendants	\$9.03
Retail Sales Workers	\$9.52
Secretaries & Administrative Assistants	\$11.79
Woodworkers	\$10.70

* Wages include 15 counties of eastern Idaho. Additional Occupational Wage data can be found on the Idaho Commerce & Labor website at cl.idaho.gov/lmi.

Covered Employment & Average Annual Wages Per Job for 1994, 2003, & 2004	1994		2003		2004	
	Average Employment	Average Wages	Average Employment	Average Wages	Average Employment	Average Wages
Total Covered Wages	1,009	\$14,077	1,922	\$22,672	2,192	\$23,426
Agriculture	60	\$14,585	105	\$18,486	111	\$17,426
Mining	0	\$0	*	*	*	*
Construction	91	\$15,487	280	\$25,150	386	\$27,130
Manufacturing	19	\$15,074	92	\$21,421	100	\$23,399
Trade, Utilities, & Transportation	172	\$12,393	349	\$19,788	383	\$20,734
Information	19	\$9,567	36	\$32,444	39	\$34,325
Financial Activities	57	\$15,821	75	\$23,572	89	\$24,616
Professional and Business Services	29	\$12,990	160	\$32,717	173	\$32,547
Educational and Health Services	31	\$18,747	77	\$21,047	105	\$20,653
Leisure and Hospitality	165	\$7,277	243	\$12,667	278	\$12,584
Other Services	24	\$19,523	55	\$26,153	72	\$23,806
Government	344	\$16,910	445	\$25,423	454	\$26,627

Per Capita Income	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
Teton County	\$14,473	\$14,922	\$15,606	\$16,882	\$18,099	\$18,628	\$20,024	\$20,065	\$19,898	\$22,168
State of Idaho	\$18,707	\$19,426	\$20,248	\$20,648	\$21,789	\$22,786	\$24,075	\$25,185	\$25,330	\$26,877
United States	\$22,172	\$23,076	\$24,175	\$25,334	\$26,883	\$27,939	\$29,845	\$30,575	\$30,804	\$31,472

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